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## GOVERNOR HUNT'S FIRST MESSAGE

Recommends Many New  
Features for Legislative  
Action

## BRADNER ELECTED SPEAKER

M. G. Cuniff Is Elected Presi-  
dent of the Senate Without  
Contest

Arizona's first State legisla-  
ture convened at noon, Mon-  
day, March 18th, with citizens  
from all walks of life and from  
every section of the State,  
present to watch the interest-  
ing ceremony.

Sam Bradner, of Cochise  
county, was elected Speaker of  
the House, over A. R.  
Lynch, of Graham county, the  
contest having been decided at  
a caucus Sunday night.

Bradner won by one vote.  
He was sworn in as president  
of the House by Chief  
Justice Franklin.

M. G. Cuniff, of Yavapai,  
was elected President of the  
Senate without contest.

B. F. Thum, of Graham  
county, was chosen chief clerk  
of the House, and J. M. Mc-  
Cullum, of Gila county, chief  
clerk of the Senate.

Most of the time was taken  
up by the credentials commit-  
tee. There were no contests  
for seats in either house.

Governor Hunt read his first mes-  
sage to the joint session. In his  
message the governor submits to  
the legislature the following recom-  
mendations:

Submission of a constitutional  
amendment at general election pro-  
viding for the recall of the judiciary.

The passage of a joint resolution  
prohibiting lobbying except by pub-  
lic hearings.

The abandonment of junketing  
trips and the substitution therefor  
of examiners to investigate state in-  
stitutions.

A presidential preference primary  
law.

Simplification of the initiative  
and referendum by statute.

Compulsory registration of party  
affiliations.

A headless ballot and rotation of  
names on the ballot without respect  
to party affiliations.

The repeal of the educational  
qualification law.

A law permitting voters of any  
precinct to vote anywhere in the  
state for state and national officers.

The submission at the next gen-  
eral election of a constitutional  
amendment granting suffrage to  
women.

A law requiring newspapers to  
publish in every issue the names of  
stockholders and holders of securi-  
ties.

The creation of a land commission.  
Free text books in the public  
school.

The establishing of agricultural  
courses in the high schools of the  
state as feeders of the state univer-  
sity.

Adoption of a comprehensive and  
elaborate general plan for a great  
state university.

The creation of a tax commission  
to take the place of the board of  
equalization.

Refunding state loans by issue of  
four per cent bonds to be offered  
people of Arizona.

Abolition of the board of control  
and the centralization of its duties  
in hands of the governor.

A law providing a uniform system  
of accounting for state, county,  
municipal and precinct offices, state  
banks and state institutions.

Abolition of the spoils system in  
naming legislative attaches.

A bureau of legislative research  
to study the laws of other states.

The prohibition of sign painting  
at points where it ruins the scenic  
effect.

The deposit of state funds at a  
rate of interest paid by savings  
banks.

The passage of stringent anti-  
usury laws.

A law requiring corporations to  
exhibit their books to all stockhold-  
ers and to the corporation commis-  
sion.

The employment of convict labor  
upon the public roads of the state.  
The abolition of capital punish-  
ment.

The removal of the Industrial  
school from Benson and the appoint-  
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## L. D. S. CONFERENCE

Interesting Program Is Given  
and Good Crowds are  
Present Both Days

The quarterly conference of the  
St. Joseph Stake was held in the  
Thatcher church, Saturday and  
Sunday.

The first session opened Saturday  
morning at ten o'clock, and as it  
was devoted to primary work, Coun-  
cillor Mamie Layton took charge.  
A large choir of primary children  
were present and rendered the  
singing. The forenoon program was  
as follows:

Singing, by the children.  
Prayer, by President Kimball.  
Singing, by the children.  
Lesson, "Talking Too Much," by  
Mrs. Lizzie Rial.

Storv, Mrs. Janie McFate.  
Action drill, by little children.  
Singing, by the children.  
Talk and story, by Apostle  
Richards.

Song, by the children.  
Talk, President Lyman.  
Singing, by the children.  
Benediction, by J. F. Nash.

### Afternoon Session

Congregational singing.  
Prayer, by Bishop Tyler.  
Singing, by a chorus of small  
boys.

Report of the general conditions  
of Stake, by President Kimball.

Boys' chorus.  
Talk, by President Lyman.

Solo, by Ernest Tomlinson.  
Talk, by Apostle Richards.

Solo, by Vera Evans.  
Benediction, by George Hoopes.

### Sunday Forenoon

Singing, by the Stake Choir.  
Prayer, by Samuel Claridge.

Singing, by Stake Choir.  
Notices and announcements, by  
President Kimball.

Sacramental hymn and service.  
Talk, "We must do our duty  
faithfully in life, if we would be  
free from responsibility," by Presi-  
dent Lyman.

Singing, by Choir and Sunday  
School.

Talk, "Love One Another," by  
Apostle Richards.

Prayer, by Bishop Welker.

### Sunday Afternoon

Anthem, by Stake Choir.  
Prayer, by Patriarch John Taylor.

"Something We'll Understand,"  
by the Choir.

Sustaining church officers.  
Singing, by the Choir.

Talk, by President Lyman.  
Talk, by Apostle Richards.

Benediction, by W. M. Clayton.  
There was a very large crowd  
present on Sunday all day as the  
church was filled and every available  
space was filled with a chair.

### Sunday Evening

Male quartette.  
Prayer, by President Kimball.

Male quartette.  
Report of conditions of Stake  
Young Men's Association, by Fred  
Webb.

Report of the conditions of Young  
Ladies' of Stake, by Laura Nuttall.

The following returned mission-  
aries reported: Karl Cluff, Robert  
Isom, D. C. McBride and Orson  
Robinson.

Talks were made by President  
Lyman and Apostle Richards.

Several good musical numbers  
were rendered.

### ROAD OVERSEERS

County Supt. Foote Announces  
Appointments of Deputies

County Superintendent of Roads  
Foote announces the following ap-  
pointments of deputy road overseers:

M. R. Crandall, Safford.  
Mark Kempton, Solomonville.  
Ed C. Phillips, Thatcher.

G. B. Mallory, Pima.  
John Nuttall, Jr., Ft. Thomas.  
J. Chesley, Hubbard.

C. C. Hayes, Aravaipa.  
Citizens will please notify the  
above overseers of any bad places  
in roads in their vicinity.

### GRAND BALL

The Safford Fire Department will  
give a grand ball at Brier's Hall,  
Friday night, April 5th. The music  
will be furnished by the Solomon-  
ville orchestra. The proceeds will  
be devoted to the purchase of uni-  
forms for the members of the Fire  
Department. Those who do not  
dance and cannot attend, should  
help the Fire laddies secure their  
uniforms by purchasing a ticket.

### Will Sell or Trade

One five-year-old blue mare, with  
week-old colt, and one Grinnell  
mountain surrey, new, for milch  
cows or stock cattle. Apply to  
KNIGHT PARKER, north of Fair  
Grounds. 5-1t

### MUSICAL JUBILEE

Annual Convention Will Be  
Held at Thatcher, Satur-  
day, April 13th

The annual musical convention  
will be held at Thatcher, Saturday,  
April 13th, commencing at 9:00  
o'clock a. m., with a band concert  
at post office corner. Program as  
follows.

Central Band, "America."  
Bryce Band, "Marching Through  
Georgia."

Fairview, "Red, White and Blue."  
Pima, "Maryland, My Maryland."  
Solomonville, "Yankee Doodle."  
Eden, "Hail Columbi."

Safford, "Dixie."  
Academy, "Star Spangled Ban-  
ner."

Pioneer Martial Band, "The Girl  
I Left Behind Me."

An excellent program will be  
presented by the Thatcher church  
at 10:00 o'clock a. m., by a chorus  
of seventy five voices under direc-  
tion of Prof. Jones.

Three orchestras, prominent soli-  
sts and elocutionists, as well as  
nine bands, will take part.

An open-air concert will be given  
on the Academy Campus from noon  
till 1:15 p. m., when the windjam-  
mers will feed their faces in order  
to be present at the continuation  
of the miscellaneous program in-  
doors at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

The convention will close at 4:00  
o'clock by five hundred voices and  
one hundred and twenty-five  
instruments joining in the "Dox-  
ology."

The Committee of Arrangements is  
as follows: Wm. Moore Claydon,  
Peter H. McBride, E. M. W. Jones,  
L. T. Christensen, George Clawson,  
C. O. Larson, Alfred Rhoner, Geo.  
Peck, Jr., Nathan Combs, T. T.  
Swift and Ben Saurez.

J. C. Ellsworth and wife, Miss  
Jessie Birdno and Prof. Jones will  
be at Pima in the interest of the  
convention next Sunday, both morn-  
ing and evening, while T. T. Swift,  
Wm. M. Clayton and L. T. Chris-  
tensen will be at Fairview, and all  
will meet at Thatcher on Sunday,  
April 7th.

SAFFORD SCHOOL NOTES

Pupils Awarded Certificates for  
Perfect Attendance

The following pupils have been  
neither tardy nor absent during the  
first six months of school, and have  
been awarded perfect attendance  
certificates by County Superinten-  
dent J. A. Woods:

Seventh and eighth grades, C. W.  
B. Link, teacher—Clarence Spalding,  
Will Beebe, Graham French, Mae  
Anglin, Ruby Barry, Florence Brown,  
Lillie Faulkner, Daisy Finch, Mil-  
dred Freeman, Phyllis French, Ethel  
Hooks, Ethel Price, Clara Platt,  
Annie Jacobson, Edna Schroeder,  
Rosa Thorstensen and Myron Cran-  
dall.

Fifth and sixth grades, Miss  
Anna Riley, teacher—Ruth Prina,  
Anna Thorstensen, Emily Brown,  
Lola Platt, Clive Beebe, Lena Dallas  
and Lillian Hildebrand.

Fourth grade, Miss Maude Appel,  
teacher—Hazel O'Brien, Ruby Gray,  
Ruby Martin and Frank Robles.

Third grade, Miss Anna Akesson,  
teacher—Beauregard Owens, Ar-  
thur Jacobson, Reed Merrill and Bee  
Merrill.

Second grade, Miss Ella Bassist,  
teacher—Eva Thorstensen, Florence  
Thorstensen, Beatrice Birdno, Helen  
McGowan and Clarence Goodman.

First grade, Mrs. A. R. Goldman,  
teacher—Edward Faulkner, Edward  
Reynolds and Melba Claridge.

A BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Lucille Birdno celebrated  
her ninth birthday at her home on  
P street, by giving a party to  
twenty-two of her young friends,  
from three till six o'clock Saturday  
afternoon. The children enjoyed  
games, music and songs, after which  
refreshments of ice cream and cake  
were served. The children depart-  
ed wishing Miss Lucille many happy  
returns of the day.

Repels Attack of Death

"Five years ago two doctors told  
me I had only two years to live."  
This startling statement was made  
by Stillman Green, Malachite, Col.  
"They told me I would die with  
consumption. It was up to me then  
to try the best lung medicine and I  
began to use Dr. King's New Dis-  
covery. It was well I did, for today  
I am working and believe I owe my  
life to this great throat and lung  
cure that has cheated the grave of  
another victim." It's folly to suffer  
with coughs, colds or other throat  
and lung troubles now. Take the  
cure that's safest. Price 50 cents  
and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at Saf-  
ford Drug Co., Safford, Ariz. 2-5t

THE CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE

Holds Its Second Meeting  
with a Good Crowd in  
Attendance

WILL BOOST THE GILA VALLEY

New Organization Starts Out  
with a Membership of Over  
Fifty Live Ones

The Graham County Chamber of  
Commerce held its second meeting  
Tuesday night at Brier's Hall. A  
good number of business men were  
present, though the rain kept many  
from attending the meeting.

The meeting was called to order  
by Chairman Birdno, who stated  
that the objects of the organization  
were to unite the farmers, the busi-  
ness men, the professional men and  
all citizens of the county in a move-  
ment that would take care of the  
interests of all, boost the valley and  
secure good roads.

Mr. Hamilton, of the Arizona  
Good Roads Association, was pres-  
ent, and briefly outlined the many  
good things resulting from the work  
of a strong organization. Mr. Ham-  
ilton especially called the attention  
of the need of a commercial body in  
this county to act in conjunction  
with Clifton, Globe and Phoenix in  
making the ocean-to-ocean highway,  
which will pass through the Gila  
valley, a success and carry out the  
objects of the Good Roads conven-  
tion, recently held in Phoenix.

Mr. Hamilton also stated that it  
would be a good idea if all those  
who owned automobiles joined to-  
gether and organized an association,  
which would become a member of  
the American Automobile Associa-  
tion, the strongest parent organiza-  
tion in the country devoted to the  
making of good roads.

W. D. French also spoke enthusi-  
astically of the good that would be  
accomplished by the chamber of  
commerce in bringing to the atten-  
tion of the outside world the fine  
climate, rich soil and perfect irri-  
gation projects of the Gila valley, and  
this could only be done successfully  
by organized effort.

The meeting was thoroughly in  
accord with the objects of the or-  
ganization, and in order to bring  
the people into closer contact and  
for the purpose of making a strong  
organization, the boosting commit-  
tee was increased from six to nine  
members by the addition of R. J.  
Young, W. D. French and Dr. W.  
E. Platt.

This committee was instructed to  
get busy at once and interview  
farmers, business men and profes-  
sional men and get them to join the  
chamber of commerce.

It was stated that the Gila valley  
was the only place on the ocean to  
ocean highway that did not have a  
commercial body to boost its ad-  
vantages to the outside world, and  
that if the people of the valley  
would make the chamber of com-  
merce a success, there would be no  
doubt but that the valley would be  
widely advertised and the results  
secured would bring new capital and  
new people here, and better con-  
ditions in business, not only for  
business men, but for the farmer,  
would prevail. Markets would be  
established for every product and  
good prices secured.

The annual dues of the chamber  
of commerce have been fixed at  
\$5.00, about 40 cents per month,  
and everyone interested in boosting  
the Gila valley, should be able to  
pay this amount.

The following have become mem-  
bers of the chamber of commerce:  
John F. Weber.  
B. F. Foster.  
R. J. Young.  
Solomon-Wickersham Co.,  
By Chas. F. Solomon.  
Gila Valley Bank & Trust Co.,  
By W. F. Lathrop, Local Manager.  
George H. Birdno.  
W. D. French.  
Wiley H. Jones.  
J. N. Stratton.  
W. E. Platt.  
Bank of Safford,  
By E. W. Clayton.  
John J. Birdno.  
Ed. Branch.  
Weaver Brier.  
J. S. Abbott.  
Olney Hardware Co.,  
By J. M. Wilson.  
T. T. Swift.  
W. N. Wilson.  
Morris Simon.  
Wm. Kirtland.  
J. C. Robinson.  
A. H. Ferrin.  
W. H. Dallas.  
George Ellidge.  
T. D. Morris.  
E. S. Wickersham.  
C. E. Finch.  
Charles Freeman.  
J. R. Goiding.

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GILA VALLEY NEWS

Items of Interest Gathered  
by the Guardian's Cor-  
respondents

THATCHER

Will Damron is having a new  
frame house built near the hotel.

The Academy base ball nine will  
go to Clifton Saturday to play with  
the High School team. They expect  
to return Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wixom are the  
proud parents of a new baby girl,  
who came to their home Thursday.

The theatre given under the aus-  
pices of the Young Ladies of the  
stake was a splendid success in  
every way.

Burglars entered the depot Friday  
night and blew up the safe, taking  
about thirty-five dollars. No clue  
was found to the thieves.

Chap Layton had the misfortune  
to have a large stack of hay, con-  
taining 35 tons, burned up the latter  
part of the week on his ranch.  
The general thought is that boys,  
smoking, set the stack on fire.

Apostles Lyman and Richards left  
for their homes in Utah Monday  
morning.

Lucian Camron and wife returned  
last week from the Imperial valley  
California, where they have been  
for the past year. They say there  
is no place like the Gila valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl McBride, of  
Globe, were conference visitors here  
Saturday and Sunday.

Reba Claridge and Roy Layton  
were married Thursday evening at  
the home of the bride's parents,  
Bishop Welker officiating. Only the  
near relatives were present on both  
sides. A very happy evening was  
spent. Their many friends extend  
congratulations.

PIMA

The smiling face of Zolo Webb  
and Harve Mangum are seen these  
days behind the counters of the  
Webb-Merrill Commercial Co.'s store.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stenson are the  
proud parents of a new baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Thorpe, of Saf-  
ford, were visitors at the home of  
Mrs. Ed Allen Monday.

Theresa Foster has a class of pupils  
in music.

The school will close March 29th.

Mary L. Ransom, of Oregon, who  
has been visiting relatives and  
friends in the valley, will return to  
her home this week.

Art Lines was in from his goat  
camp this week and reported every-  
thing looking fine.

Our genial postmistress and hello  
girl, Mahala Norton, has resigned  
her position. We will miss her  
smiling face at the window and her  
gentle voice through the phone.  
Halva Weech has been appointed to  
the place.

\$15,000 STOLEN FROM MAIL

Registered Package was Missing  
when Train arrived in Morenci

There was much excitement in  
Clifton and Morenci last week over  
the theft of a registered package  
containing \$15,000 in currency.  
The package, which was sent from  
El Paso and consigned to the Gila  
valley Bank and Trust company at  
Morenci, was missing upon the ar-  
rival of the A. & N. M. passenger  
train Monday night, March 11th.

The sack containing the other regis-  
tered mail was missing also. On  
account of the Morenci Southern  
being out of commission, the pack-  
age was brought to Clifton and was  
then to be delivered to the bank  
there. The money was all in cur-  
rency and was for the purpose of  
paying off the Detroit Copper Com-  
pany's employees.

On Tuesday Deputy Marshal G.  
L. Coffee, of Clifton, was riding  
down the river in South Clifton,  
when he discovered the mail sack  
lodged against a boulder on the  
bank. He immediately turned it  
over to Postmaster Weiss, and upon  
examination, it was found cut open  
and the package of money missing,  
but all of the other registered mail  
was intact.

The young A. & N. M. mail clerk  
was immediately placed under ar-  
rest and the case turned over to  
the federal authorities, who sub-  
jected him to an examination, but  
without learning anything. He ad-  
mitted having signed for the pack-  
age and stated that he had turned  
it over to the hack driver upon his  
arrival in Clifton, but this the driver  
denies.

The money was insured and the  
bank will not lose.

Advertise in THE GUARDIAN.

GLOBE BOOSTERS

Organize Globe Section, No.  
1, of the Ocean to Ocean  
Highway

A large and enthusiastic meeting  
was held at the Dominion Hotel,  
Globe, Tuesday night, of those in-  
terested in good roads, and Globe  
Section, No. 1, of the Ocean to  
Ocean Highway, was organized,  
with Dr. L. E. Wightman, president,  
A. Hansen, vice president; L. L.  
Henry, secretary and treasurer.

The executive committee which  
was appointed consists of T. A. Pas-  
coe, J. J. Keegan, Harry Sultan,  
Patrick Rose and David Devore.

Dell M. Potter, who has lost his  
reputation as a plain ordinary good  
booster, was given the distinction of  
being a notorious booster for good  
roads, and was chosen as a delegate  
to the national Old Trails Road Con-  
vention, to be held at Kansas City,  
April 18th and 19th.

It was also decided that the map  
of Arizona, in connection with photo-  
graphs of Globe and vicinity, be pub-  
lished in the National Blue Book,  
for the purpose of informing tour-  
ists of the scenic and mineral wealth  
of this section of the State.

The executive committee met  
Wednesday morning at the Dominion  
Hotel at 10:00 and completed ar-  
rangements for the compilation of  
data to present to the Kansas City  
Convention, and also for the publica-  
tion of a folder advertising Globe  
and this section of the State as an  
important and interesting stopping  
point for all tourists passing through  
the State on the proposed Ocean to  
Ocean Highway.

Mr. Potter met with the commit-  
tee. Mr. Potter stated that he was  
highly pleased with the meeting held  
at the hotel and the enthusiasm  
shown. He also added that there  
was no State in the union which had  
a better claim to scenic superiority  
and mineral wealth than Arizona,  
and that it was now a case of the  
residents and citizens of the State  
forgetting personal and local an-  
imosities and getting together and  
"boosting."

Phil C. Merrill, A. C. Peterson  
and William L. Nelson, members of  
the board of supervisors, were in  
town yesterday morning to meet  
Mr. Potter, but the meeting did  
not take place, as Mr. Potter was  
unable to get away from Globe, on  
account of the Globe Association  
not completing the business relating  
to roads and the bridges across  
the San Carlos and Gila rivers.

The following telegram was re-  
ceived from Mr. Potter by Mr.  
Birdno:

GLOBE, ARIZ., March 21, 1912.

JOHN J. BIRDNO,  
Safford, Arizona:

We did not complete our work  
here and must wait another day.  
Will arrive at Safford on the 22d  
and it is of importance that I meet  
you and supervisors on matter of  
importance to Graham county. Will  
have matters in shape for immediate  
investigation. Wire or phone me  
if arrangements can be made.

DELL M. POTTER.

C. D. Hamilton and C. W. Braden,  
of the Arizona Good Roads Associa-  
tion, who intended leaving yester-  
day for Douglas, decided to remain  
over until today, in order to meet  
Mr. Potter.

Mr. Potter will arrive today and  
will meet with the board of super-  
visors, Mr. Birdno, Mr. Hamilton  
and Mr. Braden and others.

ROBBERY AT THATCHER

Yeggman Blow Open the Wells  
 Fargo Safe at